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Supreme Court Opinion Supports Freedom of Speech while also Strengthening Freedom of Religion

Some providers of creative services, such as web sites, tee shirts, cakes and floral arrangements have followed their consciences in support of traditional marriage and declined to use their creative abilities to celebrate and thereby approve and endorse same sex unions. They have offered all other of their services to same sex couples, but for these unique, very personal, products and services they explain their beliefs and offer referrals to other vendors.

Many lawsuits have been filed attempting to force these creative business owners to speak out in support of same sex unions through their unique designs. Such a case is the one where Christian website designer, Lori Smith, who owns the business, Creative-303. Lori wanted to expand her business while sustaining her deeply held beliefs on traditional marriage.

However, as in the case of Jack Philips, the baker who also declined his artistic expression in support of same sex unions, Lori faced the Colorado Anti-Discrimination Act which would force her as well as the baker, to accept these projects.

After losing the *303 Creative LLC v. Elenis* case in a lower court, Alliance Defending Freedom presented the case before the Supreme Court. The opinion of the Supreme Court, in favor of Creative-303, was that the Colorado law deprived citizens of their right to free speech.

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"Whatever you do, think of the Glory of God as your main goal." -John Bosco

"If you believe what you like in the gospel, and reject what you don't like, it is not the gospel you believe but yourself." -St Augustine